GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Departmental Proceedings initiated against Sri M.S. Muni Pratap, formerly Tahsildar Kurabalakota Mandal Chittoor District (now retired), for the irregularity committed by him while working as Tahsildar Kurabalakota Mandal Chittoor District – Under rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal)Rules 1991 r/w Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980 – Article of Charges – Written statement of defence received – further action dropped – Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 1392 Dated: 21-11-2019

Read the following:

1) G.O.Ms.No.542, Revenue (Vigillance.III) Department, Dt:25.10.2018
2) G.O.Ms.No.543, Revenue (Vigillance.III) Department, Dt:25.10.2018.
3) G.O.Rt.No.1482, Revenue (Vigillance.III) Department, Dt:25.10.2018.
4) Written statement of defense Dt:nil of Sri M.S. MuniPratap, former Tahsildar (now retired).

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ORDER:

In the G.O 1st read above sanction was accorded for Common disciplinary proceedings under Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 against Sri M.S. Muni Pratap, formerly Tahsildar Kurabalakota Mandal Chittoor District (now retired) and Sri G.Ravi, former Superintendent, E-Section O/o the District Collector, for irregularities committed in attending before the Government in connection with Lokayukta complaint No.1661/2013/B1.

2. In the G.O.3rd read above, disciplinary proceedings were initiated by framing the following Articles of Charge under Rule 20 of A.P.C.S (CC & A) Rules 1991 r/w Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980 against Sri M.S. Muni Pratap, formerly Tahsildar Kurabalakota Mandal Chittoor District (now retired), for violating the APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 while working as Tahsildar Kurabalakota Mandal Chittoor District.

Articles of Charge:-

That he being a responsible Government Officer, when deputed to attend before the Government on 02.03.2017 in connection with Lokayukta complaint No.1661/2013/B1 filed by Sri U.V. Ramana before the Hon'ble Lokayukta, Hyderabad, has failed to give the details of the subject to the concerned Assistant Secretary and replied in an irresponsible manner that he has attended before the Government to hand over the letter of District Collector, along with file. Thus, he has violated Rule 3 (1) (2) (3) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

3. In reply, the Charged Officer has submitted his Written Statement of defence vide his representation 4th read above stating that in obedience to the instructions of the then District Collector, Chittoor, he attended the office of the Special Chief Secretary to Government and met the Assistant Secretary on duty and handed over a cover containing details in respect of Govt. Memo No.18023/19/2016-Vig.III dated 17-01-2017. He further submitted that the Assistant Secretary on duty in the peshi of Special Chief Secretary to Government soon after receipt of the intended cover from the Collectorate Chittoor, has sought further details over the subject for which he expressed his ignorance and innocence as he was quite unconcerned with the issue. The Asst Secretary on duty not satisfied with his reply has insisted to phone up to the concerned officer who has entrusted the job of handing over of the cover and on the instructions of the Asst Secretary on duty he has contacted the Supdt. E-Section, Collectorate, Chittoor over phone. There was no Indecency and indignity in the matter in any manner. Further stated that he is a senior officer having put in more than 34 years of long innings of service in Revenue Department and during this long period there was not even a single occasion of his irresponsible behavior and he was

not pointed out by anybody nor a faulty finger was raised against him. he was retired from active Government Service on attainment of superannuation and living peacefully and at this juncture, the alleged holding of enquiry on unfounded and baseless allegations is a blatant violation and flagrant infringement of basic tenants of law and further prosecution of enquiry tantamount to sheer harassment of a pensioner who has rendered yeoman services to the Revenue Department throughout his long innings of blemish less and dedicated service. Finally, he has requested to drop further action in the matter and to exonerate the charges.

4. Government, after careful examination of the Written Statement of Defence Submitted by Sri M.S. Muni Pratap, formerly Tahsildar Kurabalakota Mandal Chittoor District (now retired), have decided to accept the same and drop further action against him in this matter.

5. Accordingly, Government hereby drop further action against Sri M.S. Muni Pratap, formerly Tahsildar Kurabalakota Mandal, Chittoor District (now retired), in this matter.

6. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration & Special Chief Secretary, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

V.USHARANI
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri M.S. Muni Pratap, formerly Tahsildar Kurabalakota Mandal Chittoor District (now retired), (Through the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, AP., Vijayawada).
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, AP, Vijayawada.
Copy to:
The District Collector, Chittoor.
The Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Andhra Pradesh, Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada
The Pay and Accounts officer, Andhra Pradesh, Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada
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//FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER